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His Excellency Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga, President of the Republic of Zaire, Leaves Pyongyang

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung sees off President Mobutu Sese Seko who is leaving Pyongyang after completing his itinerary in our country

His Excellency Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga, President of the Republic of Zaire, who had been on an official state visit to our country at the invitation of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the State of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, left here together with his wife on December 16 by special plane after winding up his itinerary.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife saw off the goodwill mission of the Zairese people at the airport.

Daughters of President Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga, entourage of the President and other members left by the same plane.

A farewell atmosphere was pervading the airport where many people turned out to bid farewell to the goodwill mission of the courageous and industrious Zairese people.

Put up with due respect in the centre of the airport were a portrait of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and a portrait of His Excellency Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga, President of the Republic of Zaire, flanked by the slogans "Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and "Long live His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko, the outstanding leader of the Zairese people!"

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and His Excellency Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga came to the airport amid the playing of the welcome music and thunderous cheers of *"manse"* (hurrah).

Present at the airport to see off the guests were Vice-President Kang Ryang Uk, Comrade O Jin U and his wife, Comrade Kim Yong Ju, Comrade Choe Jae U, Comrade Ho Dam and his wife, Comrade Chong Jun Gi, Hwang Jang Yop, Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly, Department Directors of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, Chairmen of Committees and Ministers of the Administration Council, responsible personages of working people's organizations and Pyongyang city Party and power bodies, generals of the Korean People's Army, leading personnel of scientific, educational, cultural, art and press circles and Rim Dal Son, DPRK Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Zaire.

Also on hand were Kimasi Matwiku Basaula, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Zaire to our country, and foreign diplomatic envoys in Pyongyang.

A grand farewell ceremony for President Mobutu Sese Seko was held at the airport.

The Patriotic Song of our country and the national anthem of Zaire were played. Amid the booming of a 21-gun salute, together with the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President Mobutu Sese Seko reviewed a guard of honour of the three services of the Korean People's Army.

Lovely children presented fragrant flowers to the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and President Mobutu Sese Seko and his party.

Just before departure the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung firmly shook hands with His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko and warmly hugged him.

President Mobutu Sese Seko and his party exchanged farewells with cadres of our country and foreign diplomatic envoys in Pyongyang.

At 11 a.m. the special plane carrying the guests took off in an atmosphere overflowing with the feeling of friendship between the Korean and Zairese peoples which has further been deepened through President Mobutu Sese Seko's visit to our country.

On December 14 the second talk between Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the State of the DPRK, and His Excellency Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga, President of the Republic of Zaire, was held in Pyongyang.

At the talk views were exchanged on a series of questions of mutual concern.

The talk proceeded in a comradely, sincere and friendly atmosphere.

On the 15th a grand Pyongyang mass rally was held at the Pyongyang Gymnasium to welcome His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife were present at the rally together with His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko and his wife.

Put up in place of honour on the platform of the meeting hall was a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and a portrait of His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko. Hanging on both sides of these portraits were the flags of the two countries.

At 10 a.m. the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko appeared on the platform to the loud strains of the welcome music, when stormy cheers of *"manse"* (hurrah) and thunderous applause shook the hall.

His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko, his wife and daughters and the members of the President's party took the platform.

Cadres of our country also mounted the platform.

Diplomatic envoys of foreign countries in Pyongyang were invited to the rally.

Lovely children presented bunches of fragrant flowers to the leader and His Excellency President and all others on the platform.

The rally opened to the strains of the national anthem of Zaire and the Patriotic Song of our country.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung addressed the rally first.

As soon as the leader concluded his speech, all the attendants of the rally warmly supported and welcomed his speech with thunderous applause and cheers.

When he returned to his seat, His Excellency President firmly shook hands with him and warmly hugged him.

Kang Hyon Su, Chairman of the Pyongyang City People's Committee, presented a silk banner in the name of the rally to His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko.

Then His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko spoke.

His speech was warmly supported and welcomed by the attendants of the rally.

When His Excellency President returned to his seat after concluding his speech, the leader firmly shook hands with him and warmly embraced him.

When the leader and His Excellency President raised their clasped hands high to express the indestructible friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Zaire, the meeting hall resounded with thunderous applause and stormy cheers.

The mass rally closed with the playing of the Patriotic Song of our country and the national anthem of Zaire.

That day orders of the DPRK were awarded to His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko and his party.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung took part in the awarding ceremony and conferred DPRK Order of National Flag First Class upon His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko who greatly contributed to the development of the relations of friendship and cooperation between Korea and Zaire and to the anti-imperialist, revolutionary cause of the world's people, and the Order of Labour upon his wife.

DPRK orders were also awarded to the President's party.

On the same day the highest order of the Republic of Zaire was conferred upon the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung who fathered the great Juche idea, performed immortal exploits for our revolution and the anti-imperialist, revolutionary cause of the world's people and made a great contribution to strengthening and developing the friendly and cooperative relations between the two countries.

At the ceremony President Mobutu Sese Seko awarded "Leopard State Order" to the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and "Zaire State Order" to Comrade Kim Song Ae.

Cadres of our country and personages concerned were also awarded orders of the Republic of Zaire.

On the same day the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife arranged a luncheon in honour of His Excellency Mobutu Sese Seko and his wife and daughters.

The luncheon proceeded in a warm atmosphere overflowing with the feeling of friendship.

On the 16th an agreement on cultural cooperation and a trade agreement were signed in Pyongyang between the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Executive Council of the Republic of Zaire.

Earlier on the 10th, working-level talks were held in Pyongyang between the Governments of the DPRK and the Republic of Zaire.

While in Korea His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko and his party looked round factories and enterprises in Pyongyang, Hamhung area and other places and visited units of the Korean People's Army.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife accompanied them.

During their stay in Hamhung for local tour, the South Hamgyong Provincial People's Committee gave a banquet in honour of His Excellency President and his wife.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife attended the banquet.

The banquet proceeded in a warm atmosphere overflowing with the feeling of friendship.

During their sojourn in Korea, His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko and his wife and daughters saw Korean documentary films "The Ranks of Glory," Invincible Revolutionary Armed Forces" and "Under the Banner of the Workers' Party" together with the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife.

The Korean People's Army Song and Dance Ensemble presented a series of music and dance pieces at the People's Palace of Culture in honour of His Excellency President and his wife.

When the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko appeared in the box amid the welcome music, the audience warmly welcomed them with cheers of *"manse"* (hurrah) and stormy applause that shook the hall.

For its lofty ideological content and high artistic value, the performance was warmly welcomed and loudly applauded by the audience.

While in Korea President Mobutu Sese Seko met a government delegation of the Republic of Niger staying in our country and his wife inspected the September 15 Week-nursery in Pyongyang.

Daughters of President Mobutu Sese Seko visited the Pyongyang Students and Children's Palace and appreciated a performance given by the art circle members of the Palace.

During their stay in Korea some members of the President's party looked round educational and cultural establishments in Pyongyang.

The recent visit to our country of His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko, the outstanding leader of the Zairese people, was a historic event that brought the friendly relations between the peoples of Korea and Zaire based on common ideal and mutual trust onto a new, higher plane and made a great contribution to strengthening the friendship and solidarity between the Asian and African peoples and accelerating the anti-imperialist, revolutionary cause of the third world people.

The Respected and Beloved Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Receives Foreign Guests

Government Delegation of Republic of Niger

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the State of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on December 11 a government delegation of the Republic of Niger on a visit to our country.

Present on the occasion were head of the delegation Moumouni Djermakoye Adamou, Minister of External Affairs and Cooperation of the Republic of Niger, and members of the delegation—Mounkaila Harouna, Secretary of State for the Development of the Republic of Niger, Elhadji Malam Souley, Chief of the Cabinet of the Ministry of External Affairs and Cooperation, and Mahamahe Altine, Chief of the Afro-Asian Division of the Ministry of External Affairs and Cooperation.

Ho Dam, Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister, was also on hand.

On the occasion the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly welcomed the visit of the government delegation of the Republic of Niger headed by the Minister of External Affairs and Cooperation to our country and had a talk with them in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

The head of the delegation courteously conveyed to the leader the greetings from His Excellency Seyni Kountche, Head of State and Chairman of the Supreme Military Council of the Republic of Niger.

The leader expressed thanks for this and asked the head of the delegation to convey his warm greetings to Head of State Seyni Kountche and friendly greetings in the name of the Korean people, state personnel and his colleagues to the Niger people.

The leader noted that it is a very wise step for Head of State Seyni Kountche to adhere to independence and strive to take the road of independence. We hope that the two peoples will unite on the basis of independence and march forward hand in hand, the leader said.

He stated that without an independent national economy it is impossible to guarantee sovereignty and without sovereignty it is impossible to defend independence and stressed that if the third world countries, the developing new-emerging forces, are to free themselves speedily from the position of the past when they had been oppressed and to preserve their independence, they should cooperate with each other and build an independent national economy.

Saying that when the third world countries cooperate with each other and achieve rapid progress and each country marches forward independently, neither the imperialist baton nor the imperialist oppression will work, the leader noted that this is very important.

The head of the delegation expressed deep thanks to His Excellency President for giving valuable words.

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea under the wise leadership of His Excellency President Kim Il Sung is not a big country, but it is a very great country ideologically and economically, the head of the delegation said. Everything we saw proved this, he added.

While seeing the successes gained in Korea in a brief period, we have realised more clearly how great the importance of independence is, he stated.

Noting that he understands very well how precious the friendship between our two countries is, the head of the delegation said that the relations between the two countries will develop more rapidly because our two countries are marching in the same direction in the political position.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung poses with the government delegation of the Republic of Niger after receiving them

Delegation of Niigata (Japan) Prefectural Association for Helping in Repatriation of Koreans in Japan

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the State of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on December 10 the delegation of the Niigata (Japan) Prefectural Association for Helping in the Repatriation of Koreans in Japan on a visit to our country.

Present on the occasion were the members of the delegation headed by Otomatsu Kawahara, Vice-Chairman of the said Association and Chairman of the Niigata Prefectural Federation of the Japan-Korea Association.

Personages concerned Kim Gwan Sop, Chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, and Song Gwan Jo were present on the occasion.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung welcomed the visit of the guests to our country and had a talk with them in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

The leader highly appraised the work done by the members of the Association who have rendered continued, active cooperation to the Korean citizens in Japan in the work for defending their democratic, national rights and the work of repatriation up to this day since the start of the operation of the repatriation ship and expressed thanks to them.

The leader expressed the hope that the members of the Association and the Japanese people would give energetic cooperation in return home operation for Koreans in Japan and make continued efforts to defend their democratic, national rights and strengthen the friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Japan.

Saying that US imperialism trying to lord it over Asia is the common enemy of the Korean and Japanese peoples and the Asian people, the leader stressed that when we unite and struggle we can prevent the US imperialists from lording it over Asia and drive them out. Let us all unite strength and clear Asia

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The Process of Revolutionary Changes Taking Place in the Land of Zaire Clearly Reflects the Main Trend of the Development of Our Time in Which Many Countries of the World Are Advancing along the Path of Independence

Speech of Comrade KIM IL SUNG at Mass Rally

Your Excellency esteemed President Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga and Madame,
Esteemed guests from Zaire,
Dear comrades and friends,

The people of all strata in Pyongyang are now gathered here with the great joy of meeting the distinguished Zairese guests who have come to our country with warm feelings of friendship towards our people.

In the name of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean people, I would first like to once again warmly welcome the visit to our country by His Excellency Mobutu Sese Seko, Chairman-Founder of the Zaire People's Movement of the Revolution and President of the Republic of Zaire, and Madame and his entourage.

I would also like to avail myself of this opportunity to convey the warm fraternal greetings of the Korean people, through you, to the friendly Zairese people.

It is a great auspicious event for our people that His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko, a prominent political figure of Africa, the outstanding leader of the Zairese people and a close friend of our people, has come all the way to our country this time.

The visit of His Excellency President to our country tells that the friendly relations between the Korean and Zairese peoples have entered a new stage of development and clearly shows that the solidarity between the Korean people and the African peoples and the unity of the new-emerging forces are growing in strength day by day.

This mass rally is an expression of our people's high respect for Your Excellency President and a demonstration of the unbreakable friendship and solidarity between the two peoples.

The peoples of Korea and Zaire have formed a firm bond of friendship on the basis of their common stand of opposing imperialism, colonialism and racism and maintaining independence.

The Korean people are very happy to have such an intimate friend as the Zairese people in the centre of Africa.

Zaire today is a dignified, sovereign and independent state which is moving forward vigorously along the road of a new life under the correct leadership of His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko, upholding the banner of independence.

Through our meeting with His Excellency President this time, we have acquainted ourselves better with the past bitter history of Zaire, its brilliant successes gained in the struggle to build a new society after the victory of the revolution and the greater future prospects of its development.

It was entirely because of the uninterrupted criminal machinations of modern colonialism that even after its liberation in 1960 Zaire suffered from a temporary division and confusion for 5 years.

His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko opened up a new era of dynamic advance in the history of the Zairese people by overcoming the difficulties in their way and achieving the stability and unification of the whole country.

Today the Zairese government is developing the national economy and national culture at a fast tempo to suit the national peculiarities by "Zairianizing" everything through various progressive social and political reforms.

The Zairese people have become the owner of the resources of their country thanks to the "Zairianization" measure taken by the Zairese government in November 1973.

Newly independent nations which freed themselves from colonial rule must adhere to political independence, build an independent national economy and arm and unite the entire people with the ideas of their leader, if they are to defend and consolidate the already-won independence.

The people of Zaire are now guided by the "authenticite" idea of their valiant leader His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko and firmly rallied around the People's Movement of the Revolution.

We fully support the struggle of the Zairese people who are advancing for independence and self-support.

On the international scene, too, the prestige of the Republic of Zaire is rising as the days go by for its unique lines and policies.

Pursuing the policy of non-alignment in the field of external relations, the Republic of Zaire is actively struggling against imperialism, old and new colonialism and racism and striving to eliminate all forms of aggression and interference, subjugation and inequality and is making a great contribution to realizing the complete liberation and unity of Africa and cementing the unity of the new-emerging forces.

The reality of Zaire vividly shows that a people who have an excellent leader and party and rise to build a new life in firm unity can display a great force.

The Korean people warmly congratulate the friendly Zairese people on the achievements they have made in the struggle to defend the revolutionary gains and increase the might of the country as a whole under the correct guidance of their esteemed leader His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko and sincerely wish them greater successes in their future struggle to build a new, prosperous Zaire.

The process of revolutionary changes now taking place in the land of Zaire, as a striking example showing the process of great regeneration of Africa, clearly reflects the main trend of the development of our time in which many countries of the world are advancing along the path of independence.

We have experienced through our own actual life that in order to defend national independence and develop rapidly the newly independent nations must hold fast to the independent spirit and, in particular, the most important of all is to emancipate the people from the shackles of obsolete ideas.

Our people had to build a new life, removing the evil aftermaths of colonial rule and healing the severe wounds by the three-year war, under the difficult conditions in which their country remained artificially divided owing to the occupation of south Korea by US imperialism and they stood directly opposed to imperialism.

Our Party has been able to turn our once backward country into an advanced socialist state independent in politics, self-supporting in economy and self-defensive in national defence in a short span of time, by firmly arming the popular masses with the Juche idea and vigorously pushing ahead with the revolution and construction on the principle of self-reliance.

Through our struggle for establishing Juche, we have rooted out flunkeyism, national nihilism and dogmatism from the minds of the people and further heightened their national pride and consciousness of independence and registered great successes in the revolution and construction.

Although the world is swept by a very serious economic upheaval, our people are now developing the whole national economy at an incessantly high rate, free from the impact of that upheaval, because they have laid the solid foundations of an independent national economy.

This year, too, we have not only ensured a high rate of industrial growth but also reaped an unprecedentedly bumper crop in agriculture.

Being a brilliant victory of our Party's independent lines, all this means that the blockade policy of the imperialists to isolate and suffocate our country has gone totally bankrupt both in the political aspect and the economic aspect.

The practical experiences in Korea, Zaire and many other new-born independent states show that the time has come when the formerly oppressed and humiliated peoples are fully able to create a new life and build prosperous, sovereign and independent states with their own efforts.

In the struggle for the reunification of our country, too, the general situation is now turning increasingly in favour of our people who are advancing under the uplifted banner of independence.

Our just and fair stand for compelling all the foreign troops to withdraw from south Korea and reunifying the country independently and peacefully by the efforts of the Koreans themselves enjoys an unreserved support of the entire people in north and south Korea and evokes ever-increasing support and sympathy in the international arena as well.

Our struggle for the reunification of the fatherland is precisely a struggle between the forces of national independence and the imperialist forces of aggression and a struggle between the patriots and the traitors.

We will never allow the road of treachery and dependence in solving our own national problems and will persistently follow the road of patriotism, the road of independence, and thus certainly accomplish the cause of national reunification, the long-cherished desire of the nation.

Comrades and friends,

The present era is an era of independence and an era of great changes in which the old forces of imperialism are falling into decay and ruin and the new-emerging forces in Asia, Africa and Latin America are appearing on the scene as the master of the world.

What characterizes this course of historic changes is a ceaseless, fierce struggle between the revolutionary forces and the counter-revolutionary forces.

Pressed by the strong current of national liberation struggle, the imperialists have been constrained to recognize the independence of the peoples in colonies, but their nature of aggression and plunder has not changed at all.

In an attempt to recover their lost former positions and subjugate the new-born independent states again, the imperialists, combining the old method of colonial rule with the crafty neo-colonialist method, are resorting to all sorts of manoeuvres such as direct armed intervention, war by proxy through their stooges, wrecking and subversive activities, economic and cultural infiltration, etc.

But the downfall of the old forces and the growth of the new-emerging forces are a trend of history, and no force can stop this law-governed process of the development of history.

In Asia, Africa and Latin America the people's liberation struggle is triumphing definitely and the system of imperialist colonial rule is crumbling beyond retrieve.

In Africa most countries have already won independence thanks to the powerful national liberation struggle of the peoples of this continent, and at present, too, new independent states are coming into being one after another.

Almost all the old colonial powers have already been driven out of the African continent, and the racist regimes in South Africa and Rhodesia are getting into hot water, given repeated blows from within and without.

We warmly congratulate the people of Guinea-Bissau who have won independence recently and the peoples of Mozambique and Sao Tome and Principe who have achieved the agreements on independence.

We actively support the struggle of the people of Angola who are on the eve of independence and the struggle of the peoples of Zimbabwe, Namibia, Azania, Comores, Seychelles and the Cape Verde Islands for freedom and liberation and express our firm solidarity with all the African people in their just struggle to consolidate national independence.

The liberation struggle of the African people is an important part of the cause for the emancipation of all mankind.

The day will surely come before long when the great African people will cut off the last life line of colonialism and racism and completely liberate the whole continent of Africa.

Today imperialism is living its last moment in Asia, too.

In Asia there are many revolutionary countries and embattled countries and the vast area of Asia extending from Korea to China, Indochina and the Middle East has become a theatre of anti-imperialist revolutionary struggle.

We actively support the struggle of all the Asian people against imperialism.

The Asian people will surely chase the imperialist forces of aggression out of this region to the last one and the future of Asia will be decided by the Asian people, the master of Asia.

The colonial ruling system of imperialism is shaking to its very foundation also in Latin America.

We express firm solidarity with the Latin American people in their struggle against imperialist domination and tyranny and for defending their national sovereignty and natural resources and their right to territorial waters.

The present situation shows that if the peoples of all countries, small or poor, in Asia, Africa and Latin America and all the progressive peoples of the world firmly unite and fight, they can frustrate any aggressive machinations of the imperialists, accelerate their final ruin and establish a new order to solve everything in the international arena in conformity with the will and interests of the new-emerging forces and the peace-loving people.

The new-emerging forces in Asia, Africa and Latin America should counter the destroy-one-by-one strategy of the imperialists with the strategy of unity and should not only firmly unite politically but also closely cooperate economically and technically.

It is also important in strengthening the unity of the anti-imperialist forces at present to bring closer the relations and cooperation among the progressive political parties of the Asian, African and Latin American countries.

There may be countries with differing social systems among the countries in these regions and the political parties in those countries may also differ from each other in political views. But all of them share the common aspiration in opposing imperialism and developing their countries independently.

This community constitutes a foundation on which even those parties with different ideologies and ideals can promote their unity with each other.

The ruling parties of the newly independent nations represent the interests of their peoples and are responsible for their destiny.

Therefore, it is natural to establish party relations with the ruling parties of the new-born independent nations since there exist state relations with them.

We will not only have state relations with the newly independent nations in Asia, Africa and Latin America but also develop friendly relations with the ruling parties of these countries.

It is necessary to form in this way a united front of the countries of the new-emerging forces in the anti-imperialist, anti-colonialist struggle.

It is a source of our invincible strength and a reliable guarantee of our victory to strengthen the unity between all regions, all countries, all parties and all forces that oppose imperialism.

Holding aloft the revolutionary banner of anti-imperialist struggle, our people will as ever fight on stubbornly in unity with the peoples of the socialist countries, in unity with the peoples in Asia, Africa and Latin America and in unity with all the progressive peoples of the world in order to defeat imperialism and build a new world free from exploitation and oppression.

Comrades and friends,

The Korean people and the Zairese people are making great contributions to the cause of anti-imperialist national liberation through the common struggle for the independent development of their respective countries.

Our two countries reject all forms of aggression and interference, subjugation and inequality and racial discrimination and demand equality and sovereignty of all countries and nations.

This constitutes a solid foundation on which our two peoples can support each other and closely cooperate.

The establishment of the diplomatic relations between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Zaire some time ago was an epochal event in the development of the friendly relations between the two peoples.

The current visit of His Excellency President Mobutu Sese Seko to our country will add a most brilliant record to the annals of friendship between the two countries.

We will, in the future, too, always fight firmly hand in hand with the friendly Zairese people in the common struggle for peace and democracy, national independence and social progress.

Long live the militant friendship and solidarity between the Korean people and the Zairese people!

Long live the unity of the Asian, African and Latin American peoples and the progressive peoples of the whole world!

Long live the Republic of Zaire headed by President Mobutu Sese Seko, the outstanding leader of the Zairese people!

TELEGRAMS

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the State of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message to **Juan Velasco Alvarado**, President of the Republic of Peru, greeting the 150th anniversary of the Ayacucho Battle.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the State of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to **Seretse Khama**, President of the Republic of Botswana, in connection with the establishment of diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Botswana.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the State of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to General **El Hadj Aboubakar Sangoule Lamizana**, President of the Republic of Upper Volta, on the occasion of the 16th anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Upper Volta.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the State of the DPRK, sent a message to **Mathieu Kerekou**, President of the Republic of Dahomey, expressing full support to and solidarity with the resolute measure taken by the Government of Dahomey to nationalize the banks belonging to foreign monopolies.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the State of the DPRK, sent a telegram of condolence to **Houari Boumedienne**, President of the Council of Revolution and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Algerian Democratic and People's Republic, on the passing away of Ahmed Medeghri, Member of the Council of Revolution and Minister of Interior of the ADPR.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the State of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to **Mohammad Ullah**, President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, on the occasion of the national day of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the State of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to **Isa Bin Sulman Al-Khalifa**, Emir of the State of Bahrain, on the occasion of the third anniversary of the national day of the State of Bahrain.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the State of the DPRK, and Comrade **Kim Il**, Premier of the Administration Council of the DPRK, received a message from Comrade **Leonid Ilyich Brezhnev**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, Comrade **Nikolai Viktorovich Podgorny**, President of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, and Comrade **Aleksei Nikolayevich Kosygin**, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the USSR, in reply to the message of greetings sent to them on the 57th anniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the CC of the WPK and President of the State of the DPRK, and Comrade **Kim Il**, Premier of the Administration Council of the DPRK, received a message from Comrade **Y. Tsedenbal**, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party and President of the Presidium of the Grand People's Hural of the Mongolian People's Republic, and Comrade **Z. Batmunku**, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the MPR, in reply to their message of greetings sent on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the proclamation of the MPR.

✦ The respected and beloved leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the State of the DPRK, received a message of thanks from Samdech **Norodom Sihanouk**, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, who had recently paid a goodwill visit to our country.

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of the US imperialists, the leader said.

The head of the delegation pointed out that the success gained so far in the return home operation for Korean citizens in Japan was attributable to the warm solicitude of His Excellency President Kim Il Sung, the tenderhearted father, and to tireless efforts of the Korean people. We will, in the future, too, do our efforts to help the Koreans' repatriation work, he said.

During our visit to Korea this time we have clearly realised that the entire people under the warm care of His Excellency President Kim Il Sung are working as one to carry out his teachings and that the economy of Korea is rapidly developing on its own strength and with its own raw materials, not relying upon foreign countries, and we cannot but admire this, the head of the delegation said.

We are very happy to see this time in Korea that returnees from Japan are all leading a happy life and doing their bit with credit in the construction of their fatherland, the head of the delegation said.

Noting that they owed their happiness solely to the solicitude of His Excellency President Kim Il Sung, he said that upon return home he would convey this fact to the Japanese people and the Korean citizens in Japan to share joy with them.

Zairese Journalists

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the State of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on December 15 Zairese journalists who were accompanying His Excellency Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga, President of the Republic of Zaire, on an official state visit to our country.

Present on the occasion were Esolomwa Nkoyea Linganga, Responsible Editor of the Zairese daily "Elima"; Kolonga Molei, Responsible Editor of the Zairese weekly; Mukendi Kangsonga-Madimba, Director of the Voice of Zaire "TV"; Tshimanga Koya Kakona, Chief Redactor of the Zairese News Agency; Muboyayi Mbanga, Secretary in Charge of Redaction of the Zairese daily "Salongo"; and other Zairese journalists.

Also on hand were Ho Dam, Vice-Premier of the Administration Council and Foreign Minister; and Li Yong Ik, Editor-in-Chief of "Rodong Sinmun" and Chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Journalists Union.

Saying that he was very happy to meet the Zairese journalists who were accompanying President Mobutu Sese Seko, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly welcomed them and had a conversation with them in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

Saying that the visit to our country of President Mobutu Sese Seko was a visit of great historical significance which marked an epochal turning-point in strengthening the friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Zaire, the leader pointed with satisfaction to the great success made in his meeting with President Mobutu Sese Seko.

Noting that both Korea and Zaire were newly independent states and countries maintaining the line of independence, self-support and self-defence to defend their national independence, the leader declared that on the basis of such commonness, the peoples of our two countries could always unite with each other and that an agreement reached in the meeting with President Mobutu Sese Seko offered the possibilities of further expanding and developing economic, cultural and technical cooperation between the two peoples.

Expressing deep thanks to President Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people, for having found time to receive them, militant journalists of the People's Movement of the Revolution, despite much claims on his time, the Zairese journalists said that they learned a lot of things in Korea which held a particular place in carrying out the revolution in the third world countries.

Saying that upon their return home they would honestly convey to the Zairese people the historical meeting of the leaders of the two countries in Pyongyang and everything they saw in Korea, the journalists reverently wished the leader good health and a long life.

The leader asked the guests to convey his greetings to the Zairese journalists and pressmen upon return home. He said that journalists, wielding their pen, should expose and denounce the imperialists and aggressors and greatly contribute to uniting the people around their party and leader and rapidly developing all the countries of the new-emerging forces.

The leader answered questions raised by the Zairese journalists.

You Korean People Can Be Proud of Being a Great People Because You Have the Great Leader, the Great Military Commander, Political Genius, Great Thinker and Noblest Humanist

Speech of President MOBUTU SESE SEKO KUKU NGBENDU WA ZA BANGA at Mass Rally

Mr. President Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people,
Madame President,
Dear friends,

President Kim Il Sung, your respected and beloved leader, accorded a great honour to me, a Member of the People's Movement of the Revolution, by offering an opportunity to speak before you, cadres of the Workers' Party of Korea and men and women Party members. I appreciate this honour as the most valuable one.

I also take this opportunity to express thanks once again to the leader and, through him, to the entire Korean people for according exceptional welcome to my wife, our delegation and myself. I made many travels and was warmly received each time, but, in no other places, I have ever been accorded such a welcome as in your country.

I extend thanks with revolutionary fervor to you for this. I can say that in this respect Korea gives many lessons to the whole world.

I was deeply moved by the fact that you revere the respected and beloved leader, the guide of the Korean people, and highly appreciate this. I assure you that President Kim Il Sung, the father of the Korean nation, enjoys the greatest respect not only in Korea but also all over the world. Even the enemies, those who oppose him, cannot but respect him.

The enemies, of course, cannot revere him as the Korean people do.

But they cannot but bow before the stark fact and cannot but admire his fighting spirit and courage. They will not forget the defeat inflicted upon them by the President.

The people of each country have their leader. The people of a country can become a great people when they have a great leader and the greatness of the people of a country depends upon the greatness of their leader.

You Korean people can be proud of being a great people because you have the great leader, the great military commander, political genius, great thinker and noblest humanist.

He has revived your country from scratch and brought it up to level of great powers.

He has brought unprecedented prosperity to your country. All the impartial persons who visit your country should admit that Korea is a country good to live in and envying no one.

The Korean revolution is recorded in golden letters in the history of all the great revolutions. Therefore, you have the right to enjoy the esteem and respect of all the people of the world.

As we made many sacrifices for the eternal freedom of our people, Zaire understands better than any other countries the significance and importance of your revolution.

Imperialism is a monster with many heads. One should not be content with cutting off one head of imperialism. Because imperialism may attack from an unexpected place.

With regard to this, there is a Zairese proverb saying that python does not sleep with his both eyes shut. Python sleeps with one eye shut and the other open. Therefore, one should know that when he sees the two python eyes in a cave, there are two pythons, not one.

This proverb and image tell us Zairese people that the revolutionary people of a country should constantly heighten vigilance to defend their inalienable liberty.

We call this a revolutionary vigilance.

The people of a country should have courage, but courage alone is not sufficient. The people of each country should have their spirit and pride in themselves and free themselves from the nefarious influence of imperialism.

Therefore, the people of each country should have political philosophy which offers them the idea to achieve their wellbeing and perfect themselves. This political philosophy is known in the name of the "Juche" idea in your country and is called "authenticite" in Zaire.

"Authenticite" is a very simple word. "Authenticite" means that as Koreans are proud of being Koreans, so the Zairese proud of being Zairese. We do not have an inferiority complex in the fact that we are Negroes with frizzled hair. You, too, do not have any inferiority complex because you are as you are now.

We in Zaire categorically refuse to model after the old masters. The old masters hoped we would become their imitators and copy, their faithful servants, in a word, valets serving them, saying "Yes", "Yes".

We firmly cherished the will to be ourselves in all action. Thus, for example, we have done away with the old Jewish-style names and adopted our proper mode of attire.

"Authenticite" consists particularly in chanting one's country and one's people. Therefore, I highly appreciate your revolutionary opera the "Song of Kumgang-san Mountain" singing of the beauty of your country.

We do just the same in our country. In the past our masters forced us to sing "the beautiful blue Danube" which is greatly polluted and is not blue. But today we sing the great river "Zaire", the world's second largest river next to the river "Amazon".

My visit to your country is, indeed, of historic significance in many aspects. The historic significance of this visit lies in that the visit gave me an opportunity to meet President Kim Il Sung, one of the greatest leaders of the world at present, this visit helped me understand the courageous Korean people better, see your adoration for the respected and beloved leader, and find the resemblance in our objectives and actions and in our method.

It is not surprising that the Koreans and Zairese have resemblance, though Pyongyang and Kinshasa are far away from each other.

Both of us had been exploited under the colonial yoke of the imperialists. The imperialists had ruled us by the same method. It is, therefore, natural that we should fight against the imperialists by the same method.

Our two peoples are revolutionary peoples because we have the same ideal, that is, the ideal of dignity and uncompromise, the ideal to fight against imperialism till its defeat, the ideal to build a free, prosperous country, and the ideal to love all other peoples.

Of course, the imperialists and reactionaries and their lackeys will never be generous to us. But they know at least that those who try to attack the Democratic People's Republic of Korea or the Republic of Zaire will not be able to escape self-destruction.

The imperialists are finding and will find only their graves in our two countries.

The imperialists who had divided Africa like a cake tried to convince the world's people that Africans are useless backward peoples.

Today all the people of the world except African Negroes are free. But we are now completely liberating our continent through a fierce struggle.

We were not alone in our struggle because the sincere friends like you always gave appreciable aid to us.

The Portuguese colonialist regime has collapsed, opening the road of independence to their old possessions.

The British rulers in Rhodesia know that their days are numbered and despite their collusion, they will be driven out of Africa.

And even racist South Africa is being driven into a predicament.

The revolutionary axis of Kinshasa, Lusaka and Dar-es-Salaam smashed the colonial and racist axis of Pretoria, Salisbury and Lisbon.

Africans' Africa will win.

Under the banner of the Juche idea in Korea and under the banner of "authenticite" in Zaire our two countries have made and continue to make remarkable progress. Therefore, we consider that only the formula of original and revolutionary development can make our two peoples get rid of currency disorder, energy crisis, runaway inflation and economic impasse in this world.

In Zaire we have just started developing the industry of our country, but in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea industry is continuously developing at a very high tempo.

You have carried out the economic, agricultural and industrial revolutions simultaneously. I believe that the economically highly developed countries will visit your country before long to learn from secrets of your achievements.

I reverentially wish good health and a long life to the respected and beloved leader President Kim Il Sung to realize as early as possible the reunification of the north and south of your beautiful country which will be a model of revolution and honour of all the progressive countries of the world.

You may rest assured that Zaire will always remain your sincerest friend.

Long live President Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people!

Long live Zaire-Korea friendship!

JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND THE REPUBLIC OF ZAIRE

Upon the invitation of His Excellency Mr. Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Citizen Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga, Chairman-Founder of the People's Movement of the Revolution and President of the Republic of Zaire, together with his wife, paid a state visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea from December 9 to 16, 1974.

The Korean people accorded a very warm welcome to the President and his entourage with high respect and warm friendly feelings to the Chairman-Founder of the People's Movement of the Revolution and President of the Republic of Zaire and to the entire Zairese people.

During their stay in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, President Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga and his entourage visited factories, units of the Korean People's Army, educational and cultural institutions in Pyongyang, South Pyongan Province and South Hamgyong Province.

Talks were held between His Excellency Mr. Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people, and Citizen Mobutu Sese Seko, President of the Republic of Zaire.

Present at the talks on the Korean side were Choe Jae U, Vice-Premier; Ho Dam, Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister; Chong Jun Gi, Vice-Premier; Kim Yun Son, Director of a Department of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea; Kim Sok Gi, Chairman of the Education Committee; Chong Song Nam, Minister of External Economic Affairs; Chang Jong Hwan, Vice-Minister of People's Armed Forces; Chon Myong Su, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs; Li In Chun, Chief of Protocol of the Foreign Ministry; Rim Dal Son, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the Republic of Zaire; and Song Gi Tae and Chon Hui Jong, Department Directors of the Foreign Ministry.

Present on the Zairese side were citizens Umba-Di-Lutete, Political Commissioner of the People's Movement of the Revolution and Commissioner of State for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation; Sampasa Kaweta Milombe, Political Commissioner of the People's Movement of the Revolution and Commissioner of State for Youth and Sports; Mpinga Kasenda, Political Commissioner of the People's Movement of the Revolution and Director of the Party School; Mabolia Inengo Trabwato, Commissioner of State for National Education; Bisengimana Rwema, Director of the Presidential Office; Babia Zongbi Malobia, Particular Chief of Staff of the Head of State; Mokolo Wa Mpombo, Chief Adviser to the Presidency; Bokana W'ondangela, Vice-Director of the Presidential Office; Lengema Dulia Yubasa Makanga, People's Commissioner and Roving Ambassador; Senga-Wa-Mwana Tshibambi, Chief of Protocol to the Presidency; Kimasi Matwiku Basaula, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Zaire to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Basele Ikondi Ya Bankoko Lopori, Councillor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation; and Kabala Kiseke Seka, Director of the Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.

The two sides informed each other of the situation of their respective countries and exchanged views on the question of expanding and developing the relations of friendship and cooperation between the two countries and international questions of common concern.

The two sides expressed satisfaction with the result of the talks which were held in a very friendly atmosphere.

The Korean side informed the Zairese delegation of the successes and experiences gained by the Korean people in converting their country once backward into a socialist industrial state with the firm foundation of an independent national economy and powerful self-defence capacity, taking the Juche idea as the immovable guiding principle.

The Korean side explained the work of the grand socialist construction carried on today by the Korean people to fulfil the Six-Year Plan ahead of schedule and capture a new, high peak of socialism, under the uplifted banner of the three revolutions, ideological, technical and cultural.

The Korean side gave information on the consistent efforts made by the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to make the US troops withdraw from south Korea and independently reunify the country by the Korean people themselves on a democratic principle and in a peaceful way without any interference of outside forces.

At the talks the Korean side gave information on the three principles and five-point proposition of national reunification put forward by His Excellency Mr. President Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people, and explained the struggle of the Korean people to realize these propositions and the present situation of south Korea.

The Zairese side congratulated the Korean people upon the successes made in the revolution and construction by embodying the Juche idea under the wise leadership of President Kim Il Sung, their respected and beloved leader, and expressed full support and solidarity for the struggle of the Korean people to drive all the foreign troops out of south Korea and achieve the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

The Zairese side informed the other side that after liberation from the colonial rule, particularly after November 24, 1965, the historic day, the Zairese people have achieved the unity and stability of the country and pursued the policy of "authenticite", carrying through the policy of "Zairianization", to firmly defend the national sovereignty of the country, solidify the foundation of economic self-sustenance and achieve social progress in accordance with the slogan put forward by Citizen Mobutu Sese Seko, President of the Republic of Zaire, Chairman-Founder and leader of the Zaire People's Movement of the Revolution.

The Zairese side also informed the Korean side of the resolution of the Zairese people to keep up the struggle to consolidate the gains of the revolution for the prosperity and development of the country, rallied around the People's Movement of the Revolution.

The Zairese side informed the other side that the foreign policy of the country is a policy of non-alignment, a policy of not taking side with any great powers standing opposed to each other and is one for maintaining good relations with all the countries of the world which love peace and justice.

The Zairese side informed the other side that Zaire supports the just struggle of those people who are still under the yoke of imperialism and colonialism and are made victim of racism and it expressed its determination to bend every effort for the complete unity of Africa and for the final victory of the African national liberation movements waged for the independence of the countries.

The Korean side congratulated the Zairese people upon the successes made in the struggle for the independent and rational development of the country and for the building of a new life by embodying the policy of "authenticite" under the correct leadership of Citizen Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga, their outstanding leader. And it expressed support and solidarity for the foreign policy of the Republic of Zaire for the complete liberation and unity of Africa on the principle of non-alignment.

Discussing the international situation both sides assessed the present era as an era of new historic turn in which the forces of imperialism are going to decay and ruin and the new-emerging forces of Asia, Africa and Latin America, once oppressed and maltreated, have appeared on the scene as the master of their destiny and are taking the road of independence.

Both sides were of the unanimous view that if the new-emerging forces firmly unite politically in the struggle against imperialism and old and new colonialism and racism and for the consolidation of the national independence and social progress and closely cooperate economically and technically with each other, they can foil any imperialist pressure and intervention and precipitate its doom.

Both sides warmly hailed the victory of the people of Guinea-Bissau over the colonialists and the victory of the peoples of Mozambique and Sao Tome and Principe who concluded agreements on the independence of their countries and expressed firm solidarity with the peoples of Angola, Zimbabwe, Namibia, Azania, Comores, Cape Verde Islands and Seychelles in their struggle for winning freedom and independence and the struggle of all African peoples to consolidate the independence of the countries.

Both sides expressed firm solidarity with the entire Arab peoples in their struggle against imperialism and Zionism and for expelling the Israeli aggressors from the occupied Arab territories and restoring the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people.

Both sides manifested full support to the just struggle of the Cambodian people for the complete liberation of the country and territorial integrity and expressed firm solidarity for the struggle of the Vietnamese people at a new stage for the strict implementation of the peace agreement after its conclusion and the struggle of the Lao people to achieve national concord and the unification of the country.

Both sides expressed full support to the struggle of the Latin American peoples against imperialist intervention and domination and for defence of the sovereignty and natural resources of their countries and the consolidation of national independence and social progress.

Acknowledging that the opening of diplomatic relations between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Zaire in December, 1972 marked an important milestone in the development of the friendly relations between the two countries, both sides expressed the resolution to further strengthen and develop the relations of friendship and cooperation between the Korean and Zairese peoples in various spheres in the interests of the anti-imperialist common cause.

Both sides noted with satisfaction that the recent visit of President Mobutu Sese Seko to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea was an epochal event in developing the relations of friendship and cooperation between the two peoples to a new plane and has gone a long way toward strengthening the bonds of solidarity and cooperation between the Asian and African peoples.

Citizen Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu Wa Za Banga, Chairman-Founder of the Zaire People's Movement of the Revolution and President of the Republic of Zaire, expressed on his own behalf and on behalf of his wife and entourage heartfelt thanks to His Excellency Mr. President Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people, for having invited him to visit the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and accorded them a very enthusiastic welcome during their stay in Korea.

President Mobutu invited President Kim Il Sung to pay an official visit to the Republic of Zaire and President Kim Il Sung accepted this invitation with pleasure.

It was agreed upon to fix the date of the visit through the diplomatic channel.

Pyongyang, December 16, 1974

Grand Central Report Meeting Held to Mark 15th Anniv. of Start of Koreans' Repatriation from Japan, Outcome of the Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG's Wise Leadership

Platform of the central report meeting in celebration of the 15th anniversary of realization of the return home of the Korean citizens from Japan

A central report meeting was held on the 16th at the People's Palace of Culture in Pyongyang, capital of revolution, to commemorate the start of return of Korean nationals in Japan to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Put in place of honour in the meeting hall was a portrait of the great leader of our Party and our people Comrade Kim Il Sung, genius of revolution, sun of the nation and legendary hero.

Present at the meeting were Comrade Kim Il, Premier of the Administration Council, Comrades Kim Yong Ju, Kim Jung Rin, Ryu Jang Sik, Chong Jun Gi, and personages concerned. Also attending the meeting were functionaries of the Party and government bodies, working people's organizations and men from press circles and working people in Pyongyang.

Other people attending the meeting included representatives of returnees from different provinces who are devoting their all to the huge socialist construction.

Also present was a delegation of Koreans in Japan who came to the socialist homeland to join the 15th anniversary celebrations and express the deep gratitude of 600,000 compatriots in Japan to the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il Sung.

The head of the delegation conveyed to the meeting a congratulatory banner sent from the Central Standing Committee of Chongryon (the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan) to the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il Sung in commemoration of the 15th anniversary of the start of Koreans' return home operation.

The banner was embroidered in golden letters: "We extend the highest honour and warmest gratitude to the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il Sung, great sun of the nation and affectionate father of Koreans in Japan, who founded the immortal Kimilsungism and always leads the Korean people along the right pathway of victory and glory, and who opened a sea route of repatriation for the Koreans in Japan and ensured them hopeful life in the socialist homeland, and reverentially wish him good health and a long life."

Comrade Chong Jun Gi, Vice-Premier of the Administration Council, made a report. He was followed by the head of the delegation of Koreans in Japan.

Earlier, on the 15th a ceremony was held to award state decorations and convey precious gifts to returnees sent from the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the State of the DPRK.

Four returnees were honoured with the DPRK Title of Labour Hero in recognition of their heroic feats in the carrying out of our Party's policy. Orders and medals went to thousands of returnees.

On the 12th there opened a photo exhibition to mark this day.

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Koreans' Return Home Operation Must Be Continued

The repatriation ships, with the first batch of returnees on board, cast anchor at Chongjin port along the East Sea on Dec. 16, 1959. This meant the realization of the long-cherished desire of our fellow countrymen in Japan to return to the glorious fatherland of the Korean people—the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Fifteen years drifted by since then.

The realization of the return home of Koreans from Japan was a splendid fruition of the wise leadership and lofty virtues of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung who showed the paternal affection and solicitude for our compatriots subjected to all kinds of racial humiliation in an alien land, always deeply concerned about their lives.

It was an event of epochal significance in the lives of Koreans in Japan as well as a great happy event for the Korean people. At the same time it was an event of international importance. All over the world the progressive people marvelled at this repatriation programme, calling it an "exodus of people from capitalism to socialism". It was warmly welcomed as an "epoch-making humanitarian work".

Meanwhile, it proved a serious blow to the US and Japanese reactionaries and the south Korean puppet clique who had been viciously hampering the Koreans' return to their homeland from Japan.

Greeting the memorable 15th anniversary of the arrival of the first batch of repatriation ships, all the Korean people recall the impressive days in which they warmly received their fellow countrymen who returned from Japan to find their nest of happiness in the homeland, freeing themselves from the life full of bitter resentment, and are bound in immense gratitude, respect and reverence for the fatherly leader.

They give wholehearted encouragement to the functionaries of Chongryon (General Association of Korean Residents in Japan) and 600,000 Koreans in Japan who are keeping up vigorous struggle to have their national rights guaranteed and realize the country's reunification, under the banner of the leader's great Juche idea. They also express warm thanks to the broad sections of the Japanese people and to the progressive people throughout the world for their active support to the return home of the Koreans from Japan and all their patriotic struggles.

For the last 15 years following the arrival of the first boatload there were 172 sailings and more than 92,000 Koreans came back from Japan to the bosom of their homeland, where they have been enjoying a new, happy and fruitful life to their hearts' content.

In the past they were having hard times, subjected to racial humiliation in the capitalist country. But today they live under the most excellent socialist system. Provided with jobs according to their desire and ability, they are displaying their creative talents and revolutionary enthusiasm in all domains of socialist construction, political, economic and cultural.

Today many repatriates have become members of the glorious Workers' Party of Korea, deputies to the People's Assemblies at all levels including the Supreme People's Assembly, the highest organ of power of the Republic, Labour Heroes of the Republic, doctors, bachelors, Merited Athletes, Merited Artists and Chollima riders and they are making an active contribution to the building of socialism and the achievement of national reunification.

The returnees who have deeply realized through their life the tender paternal care of the fatherly leader and the superiority of the socialist system of our country entrust their destinies entirely to the leader and are filled with an adamant resolve to devote all their energies to the revolution led by him.

The accomplishment of the desire of Korean citizens in Japan for repatriation and the radical change taking place in their status are, indeed, a result of the boundlessly great favour of the fatherly leader who takes the entire Korean people to his all-embracing heart and enables them to live a true life of happiness. And they are a powerful demonstration of the advantage and tremendous impact of our socialist system.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung declared: **"To return to their homeland is a legitimate national right of the Korean citizens in Japan, which no one is allowed to violate; there are still large numbers of them who want to come back to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, which is their homeland."**

As the hope-filled and happy life of returnees shows, the repatriation programme of Korean citizens in Japan is a lofty humanitarian work which enables them to enjoy a hopeful life and it is their inalienable national right. Therefore, this work should be continued to the end so long as there are those who desire to return home.

The Japanese people and the progressive people the world over also wish to see this repatriation work continue without letup.

It is the legal and moral duty of the Japanese government to ensure the democratic, national rights of Korean compatriots including their right to repatriation and the free movement to their homeland.

Our people will never tolerate any interference and subversive machination of the US and Japanese reactionary forces and their lackeys Pak Jung Hi puppet clique against Chongryon and their persecution and repression of Korean citizens in Japan.

We firmly hold that the Koreans' repatriation operation should be conducted continuously and the free movement to their homeland be materialized in an allround way and all their national rights guaranteed completely. We will make every possible effort for their realization.

Li Jip

ANNUAL PLANS FULFILLED AT FACTORIES AND ENTERPRISES

Inspired by the line of huge socialist construction set forth by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the whole of the workers throughout the country have followed up this with miraculous achievements through an unprecedented revolutionary upsurge on all fronts of production and construction.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung taught:

"All the Party members and working people should make uninterrupted innovation and continued advance without slackening the heightened revolutionary spirit in the slightest degree and effect another great revolutionary upsurge in socialist construction. Thus, they will overfulfil the national economic plan for this year and lay a solid groundwork for carrying out all the assignments of the Six-Year Plan ahead of schedule."

Guided by his teaching our workers moved forward with increased energy to fulfil their annual plans ahead of schedule. They had a firm conviction that nothing is impossible when they follow the path indicated by the leader. What is known as a "speed campaign" was launched and a new Chollima speed created in all fields of the national economy. Thus they have produced the really desired results by these means: their annual plans which were set higher than last year's are being successfully carried out before the time set.

Here are some examples:

The miners of the Sinchang Coal Mine, one of Korea's biggest coal production centres, threw all their energies into increased coal production from the outset of the year to contribute to the fulfilment of the Six-Year Plan. The result is the fulfilment of their annual assignments 40 days ahead of scheduled time.

During this period a vigorous technical innovation drive was carried on to replace installations with large-size, modern and high-speed ones and diversify transport. This led to a marked increase in labour productivity. The result: 46.5 per cent increase in coal production, 130 per cent in capital tunnelling and 33 per cent in preparatory tunnelling as compared with the same period of last year.

The Songnam, Ramjon and Tunjon coal mines and the Jungsan and Taetan mines and many other enterprises in the domain of extractive industry also joined the ranks of honourable target hitters.

The same success was attained in the Ryongsong Machine Plant, one of Korea's biggest machine production centres. It carried out its yearly assignment 20 days ahead of the time set.

The workers and technicians of this plant flung themselves into a dynamic struggle for increased production in all production units, upholding the revolutionary line of "speed campaign". Their efforts resulted in turning out greater numbers of metal, tunnelling and transport facilities necessary for the expansion project of the Kimchaek Iron Works and ordered equipment needed in different domains of the national economy. Among those produced are a high pressure blower capable of compressing 120,000 cubic metres of air per hour and many other heavy machines and equipment, a proud testimony to our developing engineering industry.

Besides, a 20 metre lathe and other large-sized machine tools and special-purpose equipment were manufactured in this factory. This enabled this factory to double production capacity this year compared with the result of last year. As the solid material and technical foundation was laid for further technical progress, this force will serve to boost that capacity three times.

A glad news has also reached us that many machine factories under the General Bureau of Heavy-machine Manufacturing Industry and the General Bureau of Farm Machines carried out their plans ahead of time.

In view of huge construction projects this year there arose greater demands for cement and timber. Well cognizant of the importance of meeting these demands, the workers in the field of the building-materials industry buckled down to the carrying out of the honourable task. Now the Sunghori Cement Factory finished its yearly plan nearly one month before the set time and the Tokchon Cement Factory more than four months. The General Bureau of Timber Industry successfully fulfilled its plan by December 12.

In the fields of textile, clothing, foodstuffs and daily necessities industries a vigorous campaign is going on to bring into reality the conception of the fatherly leader who is always mindful of how to provide the people with better life.

Thanks to workers' strenuous efforts the year's plans were admirably fulfilled in factories of these industries: nearly one month before the date set at the Pyongyang Combined Textile Mill, a big textile producing centre, and the Pyongyang Silk Mill and 40 days at the factories under the General Bureau of Clothing Industry. And 1,000 locally-run factories successfully fulfilled their plans one month ahead of scheduled time.

The working people in industrial branches in Pyongyang overfulfilled their plans by December 8, the plans set higher than the result of last year.

The Nampo Fishery and many other fisheries, railway stations and other transportation enterprises and geological survey teams are no exception to the target hitters' ranks.

Our industry which witnessed the average annual increase of 17 per cent in the first three years of the Six-Year Plan is advancing at a faster tempo this year.

Having fulfilled this year's plans before the set time, the working people are redoubling their efforts for the preschedule attainment of the goals of the Six-Year Plan.

Li Chan Sun

Agreement on Economic and Technical Cooperation between DPRK and RN Governments Signed

An agreement on economic and technical cooperation was signed in Pyongyang on December 13 between the Governments of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Niger.

Present at the signing ceremony on our side were Chong Song Nam, Minister of External Economic Affairs, Son Song Pil, Minister of Higher Education, and personages concerned and on the Niger side were Moumouni Djermakoye Adamou, Minister of External Affairs and Cooperation of the Republic of Niger, and members of the delegation.

The agreement was signed by Minister of External Economic Affairs Chong Song Nam, authorized by the Government of the DPRK and by Minister of External Affairs and Cooperation Moumouni Djermakoye Adamou, authorized by the Government of the Republic of Niger.

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Korean Social Organizations' Statement Flays US Imperialist Criminal Acts of Preparing Nuclear War in Korea

The Committee for the Peaceful Reunification of the Fatherland, the Korean National Peace Committee and the Korean Committee for Asian-African Solidarity issued a statement on the 16th in connection with the fact that the US imperialist aggressors are creating the danger of a nuclear war in Korea.

The statement noted that the US imperialist aggressors are bringing in many nuclear warheads into the vicinity of the Demarcation Line, creating the danger of a nuclear war in Korea. This is taking place at a time when the Korean people and the world's peace-loving people are strongly demanding the withdrawal of the US imperialist aggressor troops wearing helmets of "UN forces" from south Korea, it pointed out.

This fact, it stated, was revealed by the minutes of proceedings of the public hearing at the US House of Representatives. It stressed that this is part of their criminal plots to create the danger of a nuclear war in Korea.

The statement continued:

As was already disclosed to the public, the US imperialist aggressors built "igloo-shaped, concrete storehouses" in different parts of south Korea to store nuclear warheads and nuclear bombs. More recently aircraft carriers carrying nuclear weapons have frequent calls at south Korean ports.

In step with their criminal scheme for a nuclear war in Korea the south Korean puppets are attempting to introduce atomic reactors with the aim of producing nuclear weapons.

This eloquently proves that the US imperialists are the heinous aggressors who are intent on perpetuating the split of Korea and making south Korea their permanent colony and military base, brandishing nuclear weapons and that they are the very inveterate enemy of humanity who is making desperate efforts to plunge Korea and the rest of Asia in the horrors of a nuclear war.

The statement condemned the criminal acts of the US imperialists frantically preparing a nuclear war in Korea as the heinous challenge to the entire Korean people and world's peace-loving people aspiring to peace in Korea and her peaceful reunification and as an unpardonable criminal act of driving mankind into nuclear ravages. It also disclosed their true aim of shameless sophistry in the UN that their aggression forces must continue to stay in south Korea for "peace" in Korea.

It declared that with no sophistry and cunning trick can the US imperialists camouflage their true colours of aggressors and escape the strong denunciation and judgement of the world's peace-loving people. Convincing proof of this has been provided by the current 29th Session of the UN General Assembly where the representatives of many countries scathingly condemned the occupation of south Korea by the US imperialist aggression troops, the statement said.

Quoting the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung's words: **"If the US does not want to suffer a heavier defeat in Korea and Asia, it must change its policy towards Korea and stop trying to bolster up the present south Korean rulers floundering because of the people's fierce resistance and distrust"**, it urged that US imperialism give up the criminal acts of creating the danger of a nuclear war in Korea and the rest of Asia and withdraw from south Korea without delay taking nuclear weapons and other mass destruction weapons with them and stop at once the heinous acts of bolstering up the fascist dictatorship of the Pak Jung Hi gangsters and obstructing the independent, peaceful reunification of Korea.

In conclusion, the statement expressed the conviction that the international democratic organizations and social organizations of all countries and world's progressive people that love peace and justice will accord special attention to the situation created in Korea and continuously extend active support and solidarity to our people in their struggle to drive US imperialism out of south Korea.

Traitor Pak Jung Hi Must Assume Responsibility for Kim Dae Jung Kidnap Case and Apologize to Whole Nation

Chairman Hong Gi Mun of the Committee for the Peaceful Reunification of the Fatherland Issues Statement

As already widely known, in an interview given to American journalist Jack Anderson some time ago traitor Pak Jung Hi admitted that the Kim Dae Jung kidnap case which had happened in Tokyo in August last year was a work of the south Korean "Central Intelligence Agency".

At the same time, he admitted that he dismissed Li Hu Rak from his post of "CIA Director", shifting the blame for the abduction case on to him.

In this connection, Chairman Hong Gi Mun of the Committee for the Peaceful Reunification of the Fatherland made public a statement on Dec. 14.

Reiterating that traitor Pak Jung Hi admitted in interview with an American journalist that the Kim Dae Jung kidnap case was the handiwork of the south Korean "CIA", the statement said this meant that the kidnapper of Kim Dae Jung confessed his crime, though belatedly, unable to hush it up any longer in face of the world public opinion denouncing it. It pointed out:

By origin, traitor Pak Jung Hi is a wicked fellow steeped in trickery, swindle, gangsterism and artifice.

It was by means of gangsterism that the Pak Jung Hi clique usurped the puppet regime. It was also at the point of bayonet and by deception and fraudulence that they "revised the constitution for the third-term election" and staged the notorious "October revitalization" farce.

Besides the Kim Dae Jung kidnap case, the Pak Jung Hi clique framed up numerous "incidents" and "cases" this year such as the "incident of five islands on the West Sea", "incident of spy boats on the West Sea", "Ullung-do Island incident", "case of the National Federation of Democratic Youth and Students", "East Sea incident", "shooting incident" and "underground tunnel case" and tried to pass the buck to us in an effort to bridge over the ever more serious crisis of their rule in south Korea.

But they recently acknowledged the truth about the Kim Dae Jung abduction case. Therefore, it goes without saying that the "incidents" and "cases" they have so far clamoured about are all preposterous fabrications. Now, they must not lay the blame for their crime on dismissed Li Hu Rak but assume the responsibility for it and apologize to the whole nation.

The Pak Jung Hi puppet clique must disband the "CIA", stop the brutal repression of the people, abolish the "revitalized" system and step down from the regime, as demanded by the south Korean people.

The Pak Jung Hi-Kim Jong Pil clique are the real culprits in the Kim Dae Jung kidnap case and so they should be brought to court by the south Korean people.

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S. Korean Puppet "National Assembly"—an Apparatus of Ruffians

Scuffles Take Place

It happened in Seoul on Dec. 14 when members of the puppet national assembly sat in plenary session.

According to reports, among those present at the "plenary session of the national assembly" which opened that morning were the puppet prime minister and other bigwigs of the fascist ruling circles. Interpellation started at the sitting, and Chong Il Hyong, an assemblyman from an opposition party, was the first to take the floor. In his 40-minute speech he fully exposed and condemned the criminal acts of the Pak Jung Hi fascist bandits—the enforcement of the "revitalized constitution", establishment of "revitalized system" and promulgation of "extraordinary measure" through which they reduced south Korea to a land of lawlessness where human rights and dignity are totally trampled underfoot and obliterated. In the end, the speaker persistently asked whether Pak Jung Hi "was ready to quit the presidency at his own will", undertaking the responsibility for all the crimes he perpetrated.

Driven to the wall by this sharp attack, the Pak Jung Hiites, a pack of hooligans installed as "national assemblymen", became helpless. Unable to find any pretext to deny the truth, they adopted a stock-in-trade method—fisticuffs. They ran up to the rostrum all of a sudden to knock down the speaker. Soon, the meeting hall presented a scene of great violence and confusion; over 200 "assemblymen" joined in the free-for-all. There ensued hit-and-run skirmish, hand-to-hand melee, kicking and bickering in coarse invectives. Some seized their opponents by the neck. Some others were slapped in the face and cross-buttocked.

The "speaker of the national assembly" shouted to save the confusion, but in vain. So, he declared a recess. This, too, proved of no avail.

Reportedly, the Pak Jung Hiites threateningly demanded the interpellator to take back what he said. This brazen-faced act of theirs infuriated the opposition men still more. The oppositionists strongly held that the ruffians be punished, for they used force to debar the interpellator when he spoke the truth and put up a reasonable demand.

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